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v

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Notes from the boss.....

One of the major points to emerge from our recent games is the importance of having a full squad of players to see us through what has been a difficult situation. We got back on the rails with that victory over Bristol City last week and consolidated with a draw at Chesterfield on Tuesday.

And what those games have shown is that every player involved in the first team squad is as valuable as the next. Everyone has his part to play and that cannot be stressed enough. I even had Mark Came and Trevor Morgan in action this week - casting an eye over Crewe in preparation for Tuesday's Sherpa Van Trophy game.

What pleased me in particular at Chesterfield was the way the players encouraged each other and kept each other going - right to the end. It counts for a lot when players actually have that sort of belief in themselves and are continuously talking to each other, driving each other on.

It wasn't a classic by any means but we were happy with a point from a hard game and I'm sure we'll have a few more to come like that.

Today we have Southend to contend with. They caught us good and early on the first day of the season when maybe we should have done a little better. I'll be looking for an improved performance this afternoon when we'll be hoping to keep our home record going.

On the subject of teamwork I must not forget those supporters who have shown resolve and loyalty during this difficult period. On behalf of the players I'd like to thank those who have played their part. Without people like that we would not be privileged to play this great game of ours.



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Burnden Visitors



SOUTHEND UNITED

This afternoon we welcome visitors Southend United, who inflicted the Wanderers first defeat of the season at Roots Hall back in August.

Although they have languished in the lower reaches of the Third Division this season, recent improved form has seen them hold Bury (1-1) and then last weekend in front of nearly 6,000 fans, they toppled leaders Wolves 3-1.

It looks as if 'The Shrimpers' relegation dog-fight will go right to the end of the season, just as it did last season when victories in their final three League fixtures secured their status in the Third Division.

Their home form has been quite sound this season, but their away form has seen them record only two victories, at Chester (4-2) and Sheffield Utd. (2-1), while they have shared the spoils at Aldershot (2-2), Notts. Co. (1-1) and Gillingham (1-0).

Dangermen to look out for today include leading marksman David Crown, who cost £50,000 from Cambridge but who has tripled his value since moving to Southend and tricky winger Martin Ling who can cause defenders plenty of problems with his pace.

PEN PICTURES

PAUL CLARK - Player/Manager (Defender): Now Player Manager in his own right, having taken over a third of the way through last year, but still fit and raring to play in his own 100% style that played such an important part in getting the Blues back to Division 3 last season. Joined the Club back in 1975, left in 1977 to join Brighton and returned in 1982, since when he has been a rock for all seasons, and

proved his Managerial mettle with shrewd signings last term.

PAUL SANSOME (Goalkeeper): Signed from Millwall last season and already proven value with some doughty displays as the Blues held on to Division 3 status last year.

SHANE WESTLEY (Defender): A tall, central defender, who joined the Club in 1985 from Charlton. Shane is tough, but with a touch of culture, and has developed strongly over the past year to become one of the Division's best central defenders in the eyes of sound judges, with whom Shane is in complete agreement.

PETER BUTLER (Mid-field): A mid-field dynamo signed in February 1988 from Cambridge. Peter's all-action style soon made him a favourite with the home fans and he's predicted an even better season this year.

PETER JOHNSON (Defender): Probably Blues most consistent defender last year, "Johnno" gave sterling service at left-back. Although he hails from the North East, he is now well at home in the South East and full of confidence which shows in his game.

ROY McDONOUGH (Centre Forward): The dashing "Doughnut" married in the summer, but is unlikely to let that alter his battling aerial style. A good squad man, he can also appear in defence, making him a real asset to have on the books.

DEREK HALL (Mid-field): The man with the educated left foot and scorer of important goals from mid-field, Derek had a difficult last season but now he's a father and looking to stamp his personal authority in the Blues mid-field.

Burnden Visitors

DAVID CROWN (Striker): A £50,000 signing in November from Cambridge, David rewarded Blues initiative with 17 goals. A real menace to any defence, he's one of the real 'sniffer' breed of striker who can turn a game in a flash.

MARTIN LING (Winger): Even a fractured skull couldn't stop the dazzling little winger, who fought his way back last season to cause most defenders headaches. Definitely a match-winner on his day.

MARTIN ROBINSON (Forward): A £20,000+ signing from Gillingham in the close season last year. Martin is a fast, direct player at home on the flank or down the middle. Will use this versatility to press claims for a First Team shirt this season.

DAVID MARTIN (Defender): A classy, craggy player, David's pedigree showed early when he played for England Youth. Signed from Wimbledon and now in his third season with the Blues. David has reached full maturity and is rated very highly by good judges.

DANNY O'SHEA (Mid-field): Right back or mid-field, Danny again proved himself last year a true club-man, despite nagging injuries resulting in 2 Hernia operations. Now fully fit he is hoping for a trouble free season this time.

DAVID MATTHEWS (Striker): Signed non-contract from Walsall on deadline day last season. David is now a fully fledged professional. Slight and skillful he has a nose for goals and will be hoping to press his claims for a 1st XI spot quickly.



Back Row (left to right): Martin Robinson, Danny Schneider, Danny O'Shea, Paul Brush, David Crown, Russel Short, Peter Johnson, Kevin Lock (Youth Team Manager)

Middle Row: Buster Footman (Physio), Justin Edinburgh, Roy McDonough, Paul Sansome, Shane Westley, Paul Newell, Richard Young, Dave Martin, Frank Banks (Ass. Manager).

Front Row: Nicky Thurston, Peter Butler, Derek Hall, Paul Clark (Player/Manager), Nicky Smith, Martin Ling, David Matthews.

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There is an old saying in football that the month of March can produce unpredictable results and looking around the leagues evidence is already beginning to show. Teams looking towards promotion can sometimes get the jitters, others can creep up on the rails in the final run in.

SCENE IN ONE

League leaders, Arsenal will have been stunned at Highbury where Littlewoods Cup Final hopefuls, Notts. Forest produced a fine 3-1 victory.

Rumours of Spanish giants Real Madrid trying to tempt Gunners manager, George Graham may have come at an inapt time.

Meanwhile second place Norwich, with a game in hand, kept on course with a 1-0 victory over Wimbledon. Millwall too took advantage at Luton, winning 2-1, but Liverpool seem to be preparing themselves for a late burst. At Ayresome Park they destroyed Middlesbrough 4-0. Pool entertained Luton in mid week to score another five and 'Hatters' manager Ray Harford described their performance as "terrific".

IN THE SECOND

Promotion hopefuls Blackburn took a knock with the visit of Plymouth to Ewood Park. The 'Pilgrims' long trek north will have been worthwhile after a 2-1 victory.

Mel Machin's Manchester City leap frogged back to the top after defeating Leicester 4-2 at Maine Road, all goals coming in the second half; Chelsea meanwhile could only share the spoils with Watford in a 2-2 draw. City increased their points tally in mid week after their fine 4-2 win at Sunderland.

THE THIRD DIMENSION

Today's visitors, Southend, raised a few eyebrows after taming rampant Wolves. A decisive 3-1 victory here caught the visitors asleep with the evening kick-off. Lowly Aldershot fired into a 2-0

lead over promotion contenders, Port Vale and it took a Ron Futcher penalty plus a Robbie Earle 85th minute equaliser to share the spoils. Sheffield United ousted creditable Bury from third place after defeating Huddersfield convincingly, 5-1, whilst the Shakers suffered a significant 3-0 defeat at improving Notts County.

That defeat allowed Preston to capitalise and gain fourth place after defeating Mansfield with a similar scoreline at Field Mill.

Manager Pili Neal will have been pleased to net the three important points at the hands of Bristol City, Julian Darby gaining the credit for both goals in a 2-0 win. The build up to his second was particularly impressive.

Mid week staged a hefty programme and bottom placed Gillingham felt the sting from the Wolves' tail at Molyneaux, losing 6-1 and all six came in the first 50 minutes. This victory established a Club record of 15 successive home wins beating the previous 14 standing since 1953.

Bury faced a difficult encounter with Sheffield United at Gigg Lane and suffered their second defeat in four days, losing 2-1. Preston could only draw 1-1 at Deepdale where Swansea grabbed a valuable point. Bolton met Chesterfield at Saltergate where a Steve Thompson leveller at 1-1 shared the spoils.

RE-ARRANGED

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	2nd leg	Wed. 24th May, 1989
Final:	1st leg	Wed. 31st May, 1989
	2nd leg	Sat. 3rd June, 1989
Possible Third Match:		Tue. 6th June, 1989

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Division 4	7th club v 4th club
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The draw for the final follows the same principle but is dependent upon which club wins through from the Semi-Finals.

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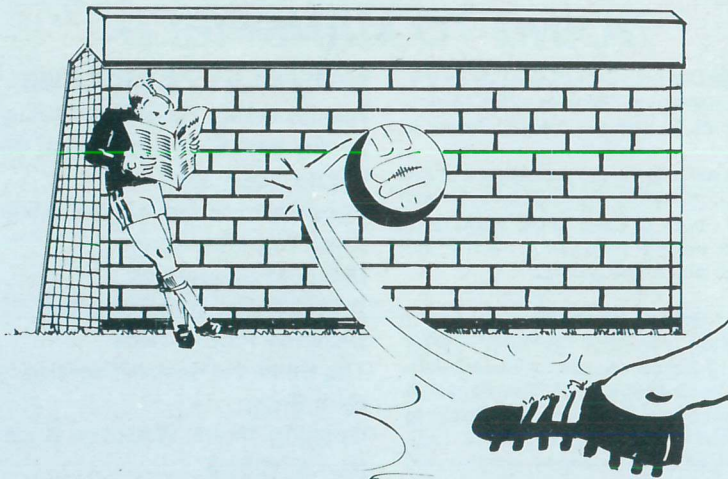
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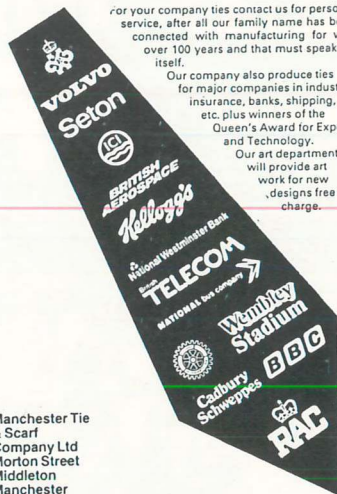
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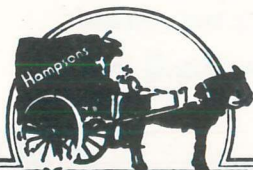
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5 YEARS AGO: 17th March, 1984.

Wayne Foster, without a goal in 17 games, ended his famine to score the Wanderers decisive goal against Exeter City at Burden. The only goal of a dour game came in the 77th minute. Neil Whatmore, back at Bolton on a months loan from Oxford, saw his shot cleared off the line but Foster was on hand to hit home the rebound and record the Wanderers 100th Third Division goal.

24th March, 1984.

Bolton collected maximum points from their first ever visit to Newport County. By the interval the Wanderers were three goals up with Neil Whatmore, Steve Thompson and Warren Joyce hitting the target. The Welshmen hit back in the second half with Tarki Micallef reducing the arrears in the 53rd minute and Chris Lillygreen giving the scoreline some respectability a minute from the end.

10 YEARS AGO: 17th March, 1979.

A mudbath of a pitch helped serve up some stirring entertainment as the Wanderers drew 2-2 at Coventry City. Ian Wallace gave the Midlands an early lead before Frank Worthington struck his 17th goal of the season to equalise. Neil McNab volleyed Bolton in front but three minutes from half time Barry Powell converted a penalty after Roy Greaves had fouled Tommy Hutchison.

21st March, 1979.

Bolton went down 3-0 to Derby County at the Baseball Ground. Roy McFarland hit two first half goals before Gerry Daly scored their third two minutes from time.

15 YEARS AGO: 16th March, 1974.

Bolton suffered their first defeat in twelve games when they went down 2-1 at Millwall. Alf Wood and Derek Smethurst put the Londoners into a commanding lead before John Byrom netted for Bolton with twenty minutes remaining.

100 YEARS AGO: 16th March, 1889.

The Wanderers entertained Grimsby Town at Pikes lane and ran out 5-3 winners on a windy afternoon. Jim Turner struck two goals along with Kenny Davenport whilst the fifth goal was scrimmaged over the line by a forceful dash on the visiting keeper by the Wanderers forwards.

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ABOVE RIGHT: John Thomas misses an opportunity to put Bolton into a first half lead as he hits the post.

BELOW LEFT: Mark Winstanley receiving his bottle of bubbly for winning the BEN/HB Electronics Player of the Month award, from Diane Davis, wife of HB Electronics Managing Director Mike Davis.

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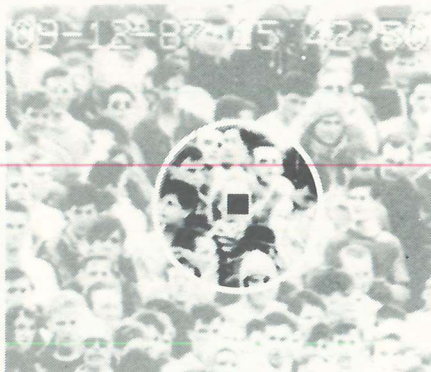
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6th March, 1989.

Lancashire FA Youth Cup Semi-Finals Bolton Wand. 0 v Manchester City 3

The youth teams grip on the Lancashire FA Youth Cup finally loosened after two successful seasons when a strong Manchester City took the honours in the semi final stage at Burnden Park.

Whilst City had the edge, the scoreline didn't reflect the Wanderers workmanlike performance and indeed things may have been different if chances had been converted.

Jason Hasford put City in front after ten minutes but Neil Fisher was only denied an equaliser by an acrobatic save from Margetson. Mike Jeffrey had the best chance to open Bolton's account but shot wide with an open goal in front of him from six yards.

Two goals in two minutes settled the issue in City's favour early in the second half. Michael Wallace volleyed their second in the 56th minute and then a low shot deflected off Malcolm Jackson and into the net despite a suspicion of offside.

The Wanderers were denied a consolation goal late in the game when Alan Stubbs struck the post and two shots from the rebound were cleared off the line.

TEAM: Sharrocks, Roberts, Oliver, Fisher, Stubbs, Jackson, Gaskell, Spooner, Hughes, Jeffrey, Still. **Subs:** Halligan and Mason (both used).

8th March, 1989.

Doncaster R. Res. 0 v Bolton W. Res. 3

Bolton strengthened their hopes of promotion with a victory at bottom placed Doncaster Rovers.

In windy conditions the Wanderers held the upper hand in the first half and should have had more than the two goals recorded before the interval.

Jeff Chandler missed two golden opportunities but put the Wanderers in front from the penalty spot in the 18th minute after Nicky Brookman had been brought down.

Stuart Storer created the second goal by getting behind the home defence to cross for Ian Stevens to turn the ball into the net.

It wasn't until two minutes into injury time that Bolton hit their third when Nicky Brookman headed home a Gary Henshaw cross.

TEAM: Gray, Brow, Oliver, Henshaw, Halligan, Stubbs, Storer, Callaghan, Stevens, Brookman, Chandler. **Subs:** Hughes (K), Spooner.

LANCS. FOOTBALL LEAGUE-DIVISION 1

(Table at 25th February, 1989.)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Everton A	25	20	4	1	70	23	64
Man. Untd. A	24	14	6	4	69	28	48
Liverpool A	25	14	6	5	35	25	48
Man. City A	25	13	7	5	66	41	46
Marine Reserve	22	12	3	7	36	34	39
Preston N.E. A	25	11	3	11	62	46	36
Stockport C. Res.	26	10	5	11	44	38	35
Crewe Alex. A	24	10	4	10	62	51	34
Bolton Wand. A	22	10	3	9	39	38	33
Bury Res.	25	10	3	12	47	60	33
Carlisle Utd. Res.	22	9	3	10	37	51	30
Blackburn Rov. A	25	8	5	12	47	45	29
Rochdale Res.	25	7	6	12	40	62	27
Burnley Res.	22	7	4	11	38	41	25
UMIST	24	6	3	15	20	47	21
Morcambe Res.	25	4	6	15	23	57	18
Accring'n St. Res.	25	4	6	15	23	57	18



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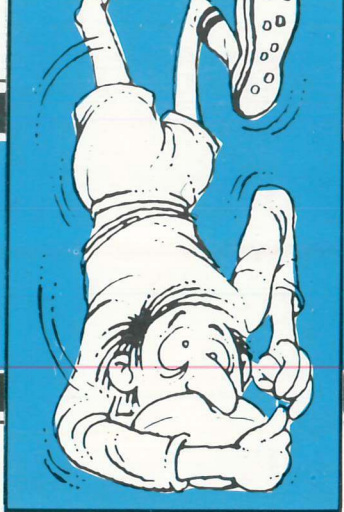
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SAFE HANS

It doesn't seem like it was five minutes ago when we travelled down to Southend for the opening game of the season, with hopes high after a successful pre-season campaign in which we won the Lancs. Manx Cup. I remember the day well and of course the result in which Southend Came out on top but I am sure the lads will be going all out to make amends today and re-address the balance.

It's hard to not turn ones attention towards the Sherpa Van semi-final at Gresty Road next Tuesday. The chance to return to the Twin Towers of Wembley is a mouth-watering prospect, but of course firstly Crewe have to be disposed of, and then a would-be two-legged Northern Final. The Railwaymen are currently going well, topping the Fourth Division Table with gates doubling their normal average and manager Dario Gradi is now being rewarded for introducing a youth policy at the club a couple of years ago. The youngsters at Crewe are now attracting scouts

from the bigger clubs, with performances that have delighted the Gresty Road faithful this season.

Looking back on our League performances in the last seven days, results have started to go our way, with that late late win last Saturday over bogey team Bristol City, when Julian Darby crowned a tremendous all round performance with those two well taken goals. We then travelled to Chesterfield on Tuesday night to face a home side who are fighting tooth and nail to claw themselves away from the bottom four. The pitch due to heavy rain, was difficult to play on to say the least but the commitment and attitude of the lads was first class, with Dave Felgate in the first half producing saves of the highest quality to thwart an eager Chesterfield side.

To say we conceded a goal on the stroke of half time, the performance in the second half was very gutsy and when Steve Thompson scored one of his specials, it brought to an end the awful run of away defeats which had just seemed to go on and on.



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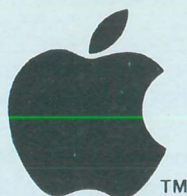
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We welcome Southend United to Burnden Park today for what will be the sixth football league meeting between the clubs which have all taken place at Third Division level.

The first encounter was in October 1972, here at Burnden, with a 1-1 draw resulting, Ronnie Phillips for the Wanderers and Dave Elliott for United netting the goals.

Bolton made their first visit to Roots Hall the following March with an identical result coming about through goals from Peter Taylor, United's winger who was later to play for England and Paul Jones.

The clubs didn't meet again at League level until season 1983/84 when the Wanderers completed the double without conceding a goal.

At Burnden it was Tony Caldwell, who was heading the Third Division goalscoring charts that earned Bolton the points with both goals, in a 2-0 win. His opener came four minutes from half time with a shattering 25 yard shot flashing into the top corner of the net. The second came in the 70th minute, this time a

simple header from six yards.

Caldwell again proved to be the match-winner at Southend that season. He converted a Warren Joyce cross for the only goal of the game thirteen minutes from the end as the Wanderers recorded their first win south of Watford for more than five years.

On the opening day of this season the Wanderers went down to their first League defeat at the hands of Southend. Danny O'Shea and David Crown were United's goalgetters.

United have however chalked up one victory at Burnden when they won the first leg of a second round League cup tie in 1979 by 2-1. Bolton were then in the First Division and failed to rescue the tie when a scoreless draw resulted at Roots Hall with Neil Whatmore missing a penalty for the Trotters.

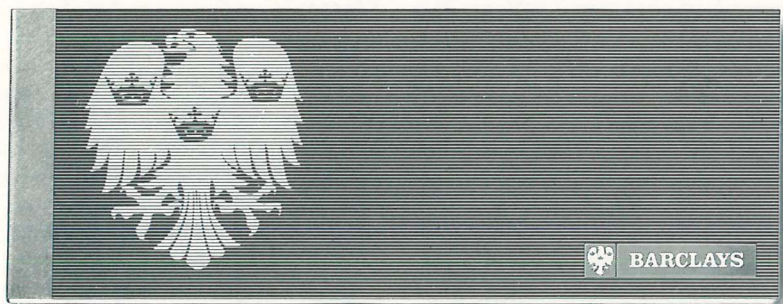
Overall League record against Southend is as follows:-

	Pt	W	D	L	F	A
Home	2	1	1	0	3	1
Away	3	1	1	1	2	3
Total	5	2	2	1	5	4



Picture shows Tony Caldwell scoring his and Bolton's second goal against Southend at Burnden in October 1983.

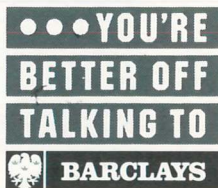
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NATS DIARY

A REVIEW OF NATS INTERNATIONAL CAREER

FRANCE 1 v ENGLAND 0

No. 24

15th May, 1955.

Raymond Kopa, whose brilliant ball play as a roving centre forward in the Hungarian style, became the French hero with his decisive 36th minute penalty kick in the Colombes Stadium before a 60,000 crowd.

So ended one of France's best soccer seasons in history, with victories over Germany, Sweden and Spain but now they added the most valued prize of all, at a time when England's football had at last seemed to be on the mend.

To bring about England's first defeat of the year was indeed a feather in France's cap but it was hard to reconcile the English performance with the finely achieved feat against Scotland recently.

The match itself was full of incident, if not quality, with what real football artistry there was coming from the colourful quick moving Frenchmen who for some periods made England look ponderous and lacking in ideas.

Though the French were quicker the trend of the struggle was probably influenced, as so often before on the Continent, by official decisions.

In the 21st minute, when England were in the process of getting a grip on things, Blunstone was rudely hooked up in full flight inside the penalty area. The German official met the incident with a solid indifference.

A quarter of an hour later Sillett brought down the elusive Vincent as the winger swerved in from the left. This time the point of decision was reached which finally settled everything. Certainly it was a penalty kick, as surely had been the other, the wily Kopa cleverly sending Williams the wrong way.

Despite the penalty England could still have won. Between the 17th and 25th minutes of the second half they hit a purple patch and could have scored three times but on each occasion France escaped by the skin of their teeth.

First Lofthouse was put clean through by Wilshaw only to hit Remetter as the goalkeeper advanced to challenge. Then Wilshaw broke clear only to be denied again by the goalkeeper. Then Lofthouse did beat Remetter with a shot but Penverne appeared like some jack in the box to kick off the French goalline.

TEAMS

England: Williams (Wolves), Sillett (Chelsea), Byrne (Man. Utd.) Flowers (Wolves), Wright (Wolves), Edwards (Man. Utd.), Matthews (Blackpool), Revie (Man. City), Lofthouse (Bolton), Wilshaw (Wolves), Blunstone (Chelsea).

France: Remetter (Sochaux), Biengansk (Lille), Marche (Racing Club), Penverne (Rheims), Jonquet (Rheims), Louis (Lens), Ujlaki (Nice), Glavacki (Rheims), Kopa (Rheims), Bliard (Rheims), Vincent (Lille).

WHERE ARE THEY NOW



DAVID SADLER *ex Manchester United & England*

It was Matt. Busby who tempted David to move north and join the Old Trafford staff and he signed full professional forms on his 17th birthday. From then on things happened quickly for him after just a few Reserve games.

Explaining the situation David said, "United's season had ended with an F.A. Cup win over Leicester in '63 and the opening game of the following campaign was the Charity Shield v Everton and United got a hiding. Busby made changes and put me in the team at centre-forward."

It was some three or four seasons later that he started to play a deeper role and on one occasion whilst in Switzerland he was asked to play centre half. "I found the switch easy," he said, "because at the back you are generally facing the direction of play." It was as a defender that David made his name and completed some 300 appearances for the Reds including League and Cup games. He played in the victorious 1968 European Cup winning team when United became the first English team to lift the trophy, beating Benfica 4-1 after extra time. He said, "I cherish that medal and winning Europe was Busby's dream but I also have a 1967 Championship medal."

David was a member of England's 1970 World Cup squad in Mexico. He recalls, "Pele and all the greats played out there but George Best was the best player with whom I've played but there were other good players at United as well."

In 1973 David Sadler left United for a

four year spell with Preston. He said, "When Tommy Docherty arrived at Old Trafford we didn't see eye to eye and it was clear that there was no place for me. Bobby Charlton had taken charge at Preston and persuaded me to join him. There were advantages for me in so far that I didn't have to up root and I enjoyed the spell there."

David was eventually advised to stop playing due to a knee injury. He left the game and moved into Building Society business in 1977 and he has just recently relinquished the Branch Manager's post at the Liverpool branch of Leamington Spa Building Society. He admitted, "Unfortunately I couldn't take to working in Liverpool and I am now looking for a new challenge in the Manchester area as a representative or suchlike."

Besides his twelve years Building Society experience David can add some promotional knowledge as well. He plays a very active part for the Association of former Manchester United Players. He said, "We keep in touch with many ex players from the 1948 side, and teams of the 50's, 60's and 70's. We are well organised and usually hold four events per year such as Golf Days, Sportsman's Dinners and Dinner Dances."

Like many ex players it is only occasionally that David takes in a game and that's usually at Old Trafford. Tip for this year's Cup? "The Cup is always difficult to predict but I think United could go all the way this time" he concluded.

Personality Profile.

CHRIS O'BRIEN

Today's Personality Profile features young Chris O'Brien who has just returned to light training after a nasty bout of Glandular Fever. In his first year as a professional, Chris served a successful 2 year YTS with the Club, skippering the Youth side last season as they retained the Lancashire Football Association Cup.

Chris' success on the football scene, began at Primary School when his school won through to Wembley in the Smith Crisps six-a-side competition. Paul Lake of Manchester City fame was also in that school team, which incidentally was St. Marys Primary School from Denton. They played before the England v Italy Schoolboy International, the game in which Southampton and ex Aston Villa striker Paul Ridout made such a name for himself. Chris went on to represent his High School, St. Thomas Moore, and also Tameside Schoolboys, mainly in midfield.

He was spotted by Wanderers scout Frank Pickford playing for Tameside Schoolboys and signed Schoolboy Forms at the age of 14, before joining the Club at 16 to serve his YTS apprenticeship. He progressed well at the Club playing mainly on the left wing and represented the Youth side in his first year, in the final of the L.F.A. Youth Trophy against Blackburn at Ewood Park coming on as a substitute. In his second year with the Club, he decided to change positions to left fullback, a position to which he adapted to superbly, giving noteworthy performances in the Wanderers' Reserve side. Steve Carroll soon made him skipper of the Youth team and he had the distinction of skippering the team when they re-



tained the L.F.A. Trophy, 3-0 against Wigan at Burnden Park. He was called into Phil Neal's first team squad a couple of times last season but didn't make the final line-up and he is hoping to return to full fitness before the end of the season to press his claims.

When he was asked for the biggest influences so far in his career, he stated "All at Bolton Wanderers and my family - Dad Terry, Mum Carol, Brothers Andy and Terry, and Sister Jacqueline.

He names St. James Park the home of Newcastle United as the best ground he has played on and gives Mike Jeffrey and Darren Oliver as players for the future.

His high spots in the game so far include skippering the Youth side to win the Cup and of course getting his professional contract. His low spot is obviously his illness this season which has forced him out of action for 3 months.

When relaxing away from the game he likes to listen to music as well as giving Ian Callaghan a run for his money at snooker. Chris is now looking to step up his training and return to action hopefully before the end of the season, to prove what a talented and promising player he is for the future.

LEAGUE SCENE

DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Wolves.....	32	21	7	4	73	33	70
Port Vale.....	32	18	8	6	59	32	62
Sheff Utd.....	30	18	5	7	69	35	59
Bristol Rov..	33	15	11	7	54	37	56
Preston.....	34	15	10	9	61	42	55
Bury.....	34	15	9	10	52	45	54
Fulham.....	33	15	6	12	51	50	51
Swansea.....	32	13	11	8	40	32	50
Chester.....	31	14	7	10	45	46	49
Huddersfld...	32	13	6	13	41	49	45
Brentford.....	31	11	10	10	45	43	43
Notts Cnty...	33	11	10	12	40	39	43
Mansfield....	32	10	13	9	35	43	43
Bristol City..	31	12	7	12	34	36	43
Reading.....	32	10	9	13	47	32	39
Cardiff.....	29	10	9	10	32	37	39
Northampton	33	12	3	18	47	56	39
Bolton.....	32	10	8	14	38	42	38
Blackpool....	32	9	10	13	38	39	37
Southend....	32	8	10	14	38	56	34
Chesterfld...	33	9	5	19	32	67	32
Wigan.....	31	7	9	15	35	43	30
Aldershot....	32	5	9	18	31	58	24
Gillingham...	34	6	4	24	29	62	22

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AUGUST

27	Southend Utd.	A	02	4,075	Felgate
30	Litt. Cup 1, Chester	H	10	3,535	Felgate

SEPTEMBER

3	Cardiff City	H	4-0	4,831	Felgate
6	Litt. Cup 1, Chester	A	1-3	3,784	Felgate
10	Reading	A	1-1	4,660	Felgate
17	Bristol Rovers	H	1-1	4,821	Felgate
20	Fulham (Tues)	H	3-2	4,289	Felgate
24	Aldershot	A	3-0	2,127	Felgate

OCTOBER

1	Sheffield	H	20	9,345	Felgate
4	Swansea City (Tues)	A	01	3,283	Felgate
8	Blackpool	H	22	7,106	Felgate
15	Port Vale	A	12	7,965	Felgate
22	Wolverhampton W.	H	12	8,174	Felgate
25	Wigan Ath. (Tues)	A	1-1	4,438	Felgate
29	Chesterfield	H	50	4,783	Felgate

NOVEMBER

5	Bristol City	A	1-1	8,808	Felgate
8	Huddersfield T. (Tues)	A	10	7,802	Felgate
12	Bury	H	2-4	7,897	Felgate
19	Chesterfield(FA Cup/1st)	H	00	4,840	Felgate
26	Northampton T.	H	21	4,446	Felgate
28	Chesterfield(FA Cup replay)	A	3-2	4,168	Felgate

DECEMBER

3	Brentford	A	0-3	4,600	Felgate
6	Preston N.E. (Tue.)	H	10	2,695	Felgate
10	Port Vale (FA Cup/2nd)	H	12	7,499	Felgate
17	Chester City	H	01	4,318	Felgate
20	Bury (Sherpa Van Try)(Tue)	A	01	2,023	Felgate
26	Preston N.E. (Mon)	A	1-3	12,124	Felgate
31	Notts County	A	02	5,096	Felgate

JANUARY 1989

2	Mansfield T. (Mon)	H	00	4,936	Felgate
6	Gillingham (F.A.3)(Fri.)	H	21	4,178	Felgate
14	Cardiff City	A	01	4,212	Felgate
17	Preston NE (Sherpa Van)(Tue)	A	10	5,599	Felgate
21	Reading	H	1-1	5,172	Felgate
28	Bristol Rovers (F.A.4)	A	02	5,311	Felgate

FEBRUARY

4	Sheffield Utd.	A	0-4	11,162	Felgate
11	Swansea City	H	10	4,178	Felgate
18	Blackpool	A	02	5,552	Felgate
21	Wrexham (SVT Q/F)(Tue)	H	3-1	3,833	Felgate

MARCH

4	Wolverhampton W.	A	01	13,521	Felgate
11	Bristol City	H	20	4,423	Felgate
14	Chesterfield (Tues)	A	1-1	2,877	Felgate
18	Southend	H			
25	Mansfield T.	A			
27	Preston N.E. (Mon)	H			

APRIL

1	Chester City	A			
4	Gillingham (Tues)	A			
8	Notts County	H			
15	Fulham (F.A.SF)	A			
18	Northampton (Tues)	A			
22	Aldershot	H			
25	Port Vale (Tues)	H			
29	Bury	A			

MAY

1	Huddersfield (Mon)	H			
6	Brentford	H			
9	Wigan Ath. (Tues)	H			

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Brown	Cowdrill	Brookman	Crombie	Winstanley	Storer*	Thompson	Morgan*	Stevens	Darby	Savage*	Chandler*
Brown	Cowdrill	Brookman	Crombie	Winstanley	Henshaw	Thompson(1)	Storer*	Stevens	Darby	Savage	Jeffrey*
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage*	Keeley(1)	Winstanley	Brookman	Thompson	Morgan	Stevens	Darby	Barnes*	Neal
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage	Keeley	Winstanley	Henshaw*	Thompson	Morgan	Brookman	Darby	Stevens*	Neal
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage	Keeley	Winstanley	Brookman*	Thompson	Morgan*	Stevens	Darby	Henshaw*	Neal*
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage(1)	Keeley	Winstanley	Henshaw*	Thompson	Morgan	Jamson	Darby	Brookman*	Storer
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage*	Keeley	Winstanley	Chandler	Thompson	Morgan	Jamson	Darby	Storer*	Neal
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage*	Keeley	Winstanley	Storer	Thompson	Morgan	Jamson*	Darby	Chandler*	Stevens*
Brown	Cowdrill	Darby	Keeley	Winstanley	Storer	Thompson(1)	Morgan	Stevens(1)	Chandler	Jamson	Sponer
Brown	Cowdrill	Darby	Keeley	Winstanley	Storer	Thompson	Morgan	Jamson	Chandler	Henshaw	Brookman
Brown	Cowdrill	Darby(1)	Keeley	Winstanley	Henshaw	Thompson	Morgan	Brookman	Chandler	Jamson	Barnes
Brown	Cowdrill	Brookman	Keeley	Winstanley	Henshaw(1)	Thompson	Morgan	Thomas	Chandler*	Barnes*	Neal
Brown	Cowdrill	Brookman	Keeley	Winstanley	Henshaw*	Savage	Morgan*	Thomas	Barnes	Stevens*	Crombie*
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage*	Keeley	Winstanley	Storer	Thompson	Thomas	Jeffrey*	Darby	Jeffrey	Neal*
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage	Keeley	Winstanley	Brookman	Thompson	Morgan	Thomas	Darby	Crombie	Storer
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage	Keeley	Winstanley	Brookman*	Thompson	Morgan	Thomas	Darby	Crombie	Storer*
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage(1)	Crombie	Winstanley(2)	Storer*	Thompson	Morgan	Jeffrey	Darby	Thomas*	Henshaw
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage*	Crombie	Winstanley	Brookman	Thompson	Thomas	Jeffrey*	Darby	Neal*	Henshaw*
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage	Crombie	Winstanley	Chandler	Thompson	Thomas	Jeffrey*	Darby(2)	Storer*	Henshaw
Brown	Cowdrill	Savage	Crombie	Winstanley	Storer	Thompson(1)	Thomas	Jeffrey*	Darby	Chandler*	Henshaw

TODAY'S REFEREE

W. C. Burns (Scarborough)

Mr. Burns commenced refereeing in season 74-75 in Local Leagues and progressed via Northern Counties East League to G.M. Vauxhall Conference and then onto Football League Linesman. Important matches officiated in include the Guinness North Riding Senior Cup Final in 1987-88. He is married with four children and hobbies include all sports and gardening.



**NEXT HOME GAME: BOLTON WANDERERS v PRESTON N.E.
MONDAY, 27th MARCH, 1989.**

TODAY'S MASCOT

Adam Warburton who is 9 years old and lives in Bolton. His favourite players are John Thomas and Ian Stevens

TODAYS LINE-UP

BOLTON WANDERERS

WHITE SHIRTS & BLUE SHORTS

1. DAVE FELGATE
2. PHIL BROWN
3. BARRY COWDRILL
4. NICKY BROOKMAN
5. DEAN CROMBIE
6. MARK WINSTANLEY
7. JEFF CHANDLER
8. STEVE THOMPSON
9. JOHN THOMAS
10. MIKE JEFFREY
11. JULIAN DARBY
12. STUART STORER
14. GARY HENSHAW

TODAY'S OFFICIALS
REFEREE: W. C. BURNS
LINESMEN: D. W. MANSFIELD
A. R. MORTON

SOUTHEND UTD.

BLUE SHIRTS & YELLOW SHORTS

1. PAUL SANSOME
2. PAUL ROBERTS
3. PETER JOHNSON
4. PETER BUTLER
5. SHANE WESTLEY
6. STEVE TILSON
7. PAUL CLARK
8. DEREK HALL
9. DAVID CROWN
10. ROY McDONOUGH
11. GARY BENNETT
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